# Thermalito Forebay

- RWG-TF18-White Water Recreation Park: Create a competition-style public artificial channel near the outlet of the Forebay that flows to the Afterbay, with support facilities (parking, stairs, restrooms, grandstand); periodically divert 400-1,000 cfs through channel <alternative location>.
- RWG-TF4-Lake front resort: Allow and encourage concession for development of commercial lodging and amenities on the N shore of the Forebay; provide required expansion of utilities and infrastructure (parking, boat docks, etc.).
- RWG-TF5-Golf course -- 18-hole course just north of the Forebay. Eventually, possibly part of a recreational complex, including a lakefront resort, warm water swimming, boating/special events area, and an expanded aquatics center. Proposed as public/private part.
- RWG-TA13-Improve OHV Recreation Area (Clay Pit OHVRA) at the Oroville complex. Includes but not limited to 4x4 areas for training, safety, but also motocross type tracks: (designate areas, add signs/markers). (Settlement issue)

### **Oroville Reservoir**

- RWG-OR70-Lime Saddle Campground Campfire Center -- Seating for 100 with stage+screen and A-V set-up (near Entrance Station).
- RWG-OR82-Open Service Roads to Boat-In Campgrounds During Low Water, to Allow Car-Camping: Allow public access to currently closed roads; will probably require grading and gravel surfacing.
- RWG-OR54-Add aquatic center on the lake: Create a "boathouse," similar to the facility at North Forebay, at Spillway or one of the other established recreation areas; for storage of club/class equipment and coordination of interpretive/safety programs. Redundant action to proposed North Forebay location.
- RWG-OR7-Add tram to Marinas (Lime Saddle, Bidwell): Establish tram service from day-use parking to Marinas during low-water periods.
- RWG-OR41-Establish bass tournament areas around lake: Develop Spillwaytype amphitheater and staging area to cater to spectators and television at one or more other main boat ramps (Lime Saddle, Bidwell Canyon, Loafer Creek); see OR28. (Existing facility at spillway ramp – redundant facilities).
- RWG-OR36-Add Craig Saddle road improvements: Increase frequency of road maintenance, re/surface with gravel or asphalt to facilitate access to shoreline, old trails, and local private property.
- RWG-OR38-Preserve and enhance Craig Access park: Associated with OR36; enhance day-use access to Craig Boat-in Campground and adjoining shoreline areas of LOSRA.

- RWG-OR78-Lake Oroville Overlook Improvement 2 -- Interim Project: Vegetation clearing, excavation, grading, and paving a parking area adjacent to Highway 162, immediately north of Simpson Ranch Rd. near Bidwell Bar Bridge.
- RWG-OR45-Open all closed lake accesses: Allow public vehicular travel on all LOSRA paved and dirt roads that lead to or near the shoreline.
- RWG-OR48-Add year-round summer resort project east of Loafer Creek:
   Develop new destination resort (including extension of all utilities) on the S. or M.
   Fk. Feather River; RV camping, lodging, and conference facilities accessed off of Lumpkin Road. DWR is not in this business.
- RWG-OR69-New maintenance yard at Lime Saddle Campground -- Construct shop and storage facility for Campground maintenance (screened, near entrance station; 2-car garage-shop, covered storage for 2 add'l vehicles, 600 ft2 outside fenced storage). On-going management
- RWG-OR27-Add dry boat storage at Lime Saddle: Designate area close to Marina for public rental of covered and/or uncovered storage space. (DWR action) -- install cyclone fencing, gate, and electronic security; access/operation managed by Marina concessionaire (Concessionaire action). (Potential conflict with existing private enterprise).
- RWG-OR6-Add dry boat storage: Designate 1 or 2 areas close to existing Marinas for public rental of covered and/or uncovered storage space -- install cyclone fencing, gate, and electronic security; access/operation managed by Marina concessionaire(s). Redundant with RWG-OR27 (Concessionaire action). (Potential conflict with existing private enterprise).

### **Low Flow Channel**

- RWG-LF24-Add warm water swimming and/or play stream and pond: At Bedrock Park, construct new shallow, isolated, very low flow side channel to facilitate water use by children and bathers; may include concrete at some pool/poolside areas.
- RWG-LF26-Add Gateway Park: Visitor day-use and information facilities between Riverbend facilities and Bedrock Park (near SR 70 exit and visible from freeway).
- RWG-LF28-Add Whitewater Park: Same as LF3, except for more downtown location(?).
- **RWG-LF3-Add Whitewater park**: Create a competition-style public artificial channel on the right bank below the Diversion Pool, with support facilities (parking, stairs, restrooms, grandstand); periodically divert 400-1,000 cfs through that channel.
- RWG-LF43-O+M Funding for Riverbend Park: Establish recurring allocation of Project funds for Operation and Maintenance of Riverbend Park.
- RWG-LF5- Finish Riverbend Park: This is currently being implemented as a special Interim Project, but there are apparently additional phases of potential build-out beyond existing project(?). Additional phases would be settlement issues.

### Wildlife Area

- RWG-WA12-Trade to remove 50-100 acres, outlet property from Wildlife Area for campground: Build new, improved campground near site of existing primitive camp area; amend operating agreement for management of this portion of OWA if necessary.
- RWG-WA11- Provide funding for operations and maintenance of Wildlife area: Increase DFG Budget appropriation to restore past levels of service or increase service level; "subsidize" with DWR O+M funds if Legislative/DFG appropriation is reduced.

## **Socioeconomic Proposed Actions**

- RWG-S/O1 Oroville/Lake Oroville JPA Water District -- New local district to administer the 27,500 acre-foot area of origin entitlement
- RWG-S/O2 Forebay/Afterbay Recreational Feasibility Study -- study local agency control of Forebay and Afterbay recreational facilities, with the objective of providing funding to a local agency for operation of the recreation facilities
- RWG-S/O3 Marketing Oroville -- Expanded marketing program to promote tourism (TV, radio, billboards, newspaper ads) in all major Northern CA/NV markets
- RWG-S/O4 Art Gallery Cooperative -- Adapt an existing downtown building to showcase local artists of all media, to operate as a cooperative
- RWG-S/O5 Agriculture Business Cooperative -- Adapt an existing downtown building to showcase local agricultural products and companies, to operate as a cooperative
- RWG-S/O6 Solar Solutions -- Facilitate and support the continued preeminence of Oroville as a renewable energy community, promote development of solar generation at all commercial facilities
- RWG-S/O7 Low Flow Mitigation Fund -- Develop a mitigation water bank fund to fund resource and watershed conservation planning, based on transfers involving Butte County's entitlement of 27.500 ac-ft;
- RWG-S/O8 Lake Oroville Oversight Committee: Establish a group of local,
  State, and Tribal representatives that will coordinate with (or supersede) ORAC,
  to monitor and reconcile recreation and tourism-related issues
- RWG-S/O9 Lake Oroville Water Conservation Initiative -- Impose restrictions/conservation on State Water Contractors when Lake Oroville drops below certain levels; charge a higher rate for water under those conditions, proceeds to fund local parks and facilities
- RWG-S/O10 Thermalito Schools Environmental Education -- Allocate funds to target schoolchildren of local immigrant populations, to build/support a new wildlife day camp, nature path at Poplar Ave. School, recreational outreach and curriculum development
- RWG-S/O11 New Master Recreation Plan: Alternative to the Recreation Plan to be developed by DWR and The Relicensing Collaborative, prepared by the JPA.
- RWG-S/O12 Measureable Standards to Ensure an Exceptional Recreation Experience and Proper Cultural Resource Protection -- Include recreational performance standards in FERC License, based on annual audit by Oversight Committee; annual expenditure/performance report from agencies

- RWG-S/O13 Local Fish and Wildlife Improvements -- Supplement DFG funding for OWA with SWP funds/Project revenues; enhance OWA facilities, roads, maintenance, security; restore Ruddy Creek or mitigate for it
- RWG-S/O14 Measures and Programs to Rectify Past, Present, and Future Lake Oroville Facilities and Operational Impacts on Local Government Services and Infrastructure -- Provide supplemental funds for County road maintenance, pave high-use existing OWA gravel roads, widen SR 162
- RWG-S/O15 Local Economic Development Programs and Projects: Allocate a portion of Project revenues to be administered by local agency(s) for infrastructure improvements and local business recruitment and development.
- RWG-S/O16 "SHARE THE WEALTH" Economic benefits to the local economy allocate portion Project revenues to provide additional funding for recreation and wildlife enhancement
- RWG-S/O17 "SUSTAINABLE FUNDING" Establish a steady funding stream for resource managing agencies -- additional funding for DFG and DPR activities from Project revenues to supplement Legislative appropriations to those agencies (which are variable and unpredictable)
- RWG-S/O18 "MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE" Establish a better way to manage the resources of the Project -- Alternative entities for the management of the economic resources of the should be identified and evaluated to see if they're more responsive to local needs and concerns
- RWG-S/O19 "ACCOUNTABILITY" -- A local based "Oversight Committee" with decision making powers to cut through the red tape and buck passing (agency decisions subject to local approval)
- RWG-S/O20 [Mitigation for] "LOW LAKE LEVELS" -- Funding agreements to compensate the local economy for impacts of more water withdrawals than anticipated at time of Project development
- RWG-S/O21 "LICENSE RE-OPENER" -- A License provision that that allows for additional mitigation to be determined and required when adverse effects are not mitigated properly or arise due to new information
- RWG-S/O22 Provide at-cost water and electricity from the Project to local industry to facilitate economic development
- RWG-S/O23 Project Promotion, Marketing, and Public Relations: Similar to RWG-S/O3, solidify and increase the current year-to-year DWR support of Chamber outreach; new proposed agreement, initially \$125,000/year, would increase 4% per year for the term of the License.
- RWG-S/O24 Funding Coordinator: Hire staff to seek grants for recreation and program development at Project and other local facilities and management areas
- RWG-S/O25 Add Rangers/Increase LOSRA Security: Hire and support additional (4 or 5?) staff to patrol Lake Oroville, Diversion Pool, and Thermalito Forebay facilities, to increase frequency of law-enforcement presence and protect resources and visitors.
- RWG-S/O26 Reservation System: Establish locally-operated single-source reservation agent to coordinate use of recreation facilities with special events